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Japanese Patent No. 11-062562: To accurately diagnose deterioration in NOx absorbing performance by diagnosing deterioration of NOx absorbing performance from correlation between responsive delay of change from lean to rich across NOx absorbing catalyst and a NOx absorbed quantity up to the change to be rich.

At judging realization of a lean combustion condition, a NOx absorbing quantity detecting means B estimatedly computes tht NOx absorbed quantity of NOx absorbing catalyst from the operating condition of an engine. An air-fuel ratio increasing means C inverts the air-fuel ratio injection quantity is corrected to increase for performing separation and reduction of the absorbed NOx. Hereat a delay time measuring means D measures a time since the exhaust air-fuel ratio before the catalyst is detected to be inverted to rich by an oxygen sensor on the down stream side. A catalyst deterioration detecting means E judges deterioration of NOx absorbing performance, when delay of a

time corresponding to the estimated NOx absorbing quantity is not in the measured delay time.

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